## TURKISH MINE SINKS SHIP; 150 LIVES LOST

Coasting Vessel, Carrying Easter Pilgrims, Hits Submarine -Goes Down.

CARRIES AMERICAN FLAG

Boat Named Texas Said to Have Disregarded Warning by Smyrna Bay Forts.

Special Cable Despatches to THE SON. CONSTANTINOPLE, April 30.—The coast ing boat Texas, flying the Stars and Stripes although not an American vessel was blown up by a submarine mine early to-day at the entrance to Smyrna Bay The steamship's bottom was torn out and she sank almost immediately. Over one hundred and fifty persons were drowned, about ninety of those aboard the Texas escaping with their lives.

The Texas left Smyrna for Salonica at 6 o'clock yesterday afternoon with Armenian, Russian and Greek pilgrims who were returning from the Easter pilgrimage to Jerusalem. Although it is officially stated that the vessel continued on its course notwithstanding awarning by blank shots fired from the forts, some te declare that the mine had broken adrift, as some in the Dardanelles have done, and that the vessel was not to

drowned and killed by the explosion vary widely, but 150 is near the mark The pilot steamer saved between seventy and ninety, several of whom, including the captain, were severely injured. The mate and the two engineers were drowned It is stated that the Texas carried European mails, which were lost. The rnor of Smyrna with doctors im-

mediately embarked on a steamer to go to the aid of the injured. of 480 tons. She was built at Newcastle American Steamship Company. She formerly sailed under the Ottoman flag. but since the time of the anti-Greek boycott has flown the Stars and Stripes.

in shipping and commercial circles. The Porte has again informed the Powers that Turkey will not open the Dardanelles unless they guarantee immunity from an attack from the Italian fleet. Moreover, in consequence of the outting of the cables the whereabouts of the Italian warships cannot be learned.

MARSEILLES, April 30 .- In consequence of the blowing up of the Texas by a mine in the Dardanelles the French steamship and army and navy officers whom the companies announce that they will temporarily discontinue their service to the Black Sea and the Levant. This decision is largely due to threats by the crews to abandon the ships if they attempt to make voyages at present. Meanwhile ten Marseilles steamers with valuable cargoes are bottled up in the Dardanelles.

LONDON, April 30.-The anxiety traders in regard to the holding up of chips in the Bosporus is on the increase. Many of the cargoes are partly perishable and some orders have been cancelled in consequence of the delay. Forty-four British ships are locked in with cargoes and numerous steamers of other na- to-morrow. tionalities held up

tion. Sir Edward replied by pointing out not a local affair. the difficulties in the way of interfering with other Powers in the conduct of their own war opreations, but promised to telegraph to Constantinople and Rome with a view to arranging for the passage Monarchists Will Try to Seize Northof the straits being cleared at least temporarily and the release of the vessels now

Panis, May 1 .- The sinking of the Texas in the Dardanelles is the theme of many editorials in the morning papers. The Aurore says it is a deplorable warning to authorities. Europe. It asks if diplomacy is impotent to stop the war from dragging along with Turkey merely defending herself. The Petite République expresses the hope

that the deplorable incident will result in prompt diplomatio action in the conflict between Turkey and Italy. Unless such action is taken it will mean the ruin of European Mediterranean commerce. The Journal says prompt European in-

gravest complications are certain.

### MAY DE SOUSA IS VICTOR.

Can Sing at London Hippodrom Old Salary \$250 a Week.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN LONDON, April 30 .- The Appeal Court to-day dismissed the appeal of George Edwardes, the manager of the Gaiety Theatre, against the refusal of Justice Joyce to restrain May de Sousa, the American singer, from appearing in an for sixty years. operetta at the Hippodrome. Mr. Edwardes claimed that this would be a breach of his agreement with Miss de inside the coach, while an artist accom-Sousa under which he is entitled to her

services until May 20. The dispute turned mainly on what passed at an interview between Mr. Edwardes and Mr. Haines, the husband of Miss de Sousa, in regard to which there sang a dirge and danced the turkey trot. was a complete conflict of testimony except in the concurrence of Mr. Edwardes in the statement that he had agreed to pay Miss de Sousa a salary of \$250 a week while she was on tour, instead of the \$200 which she had previously received.

The court in dismissing the appeal said the plaintiff was still entitled to damages for breach of contract if it should be subsequently shown that such a breach had been committed. Miss de between England and Germany were such ousa appeared at the Hippodrome last night and will continue there.

### GENDARMES SLAY BANDIT.

Three Posses of Spaniards Relieve Fears of Villagers.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.
MADRID, April 30. The dramatic pursuit, capture and killing of the bandit Rafael Hernandez is reported from ment will not tolerate the May Day pro-Hornachulles, in the province of Sevilla.

Three posses of gendarmes surrounded to-morrow by the General Federation the bandit in his hiding place, but he of Labor to start from the Place Vendard to-morrow will prevent the for-Hornachulles, in the province of Sevilla. refused to surrender. A great fight dome. followed and finally the gendarmes killed mation of the procession The bandit's body was taken to the village of Hornachulles, where was exposed, and many persons gathered

Hernandez had been the terror of the countryside for a long time and his death comes as a relief to the villagers.

FLIES 81 MILES AN HOUR.

Aviator Bedel Completes Lap Paris-Madrid Flight.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN BORDEAUX, April 30.-Aviator Bedel made an average speed of nearly \$1 miles an hour in flying from Villa Coublay. near Paris, to this place. He made stope at Tours and Angoulème. Throughout the flight he was buffeted about by the wind and a snowstorm raged all the time causing him to suffer severely from the cold. Bedel intends to continue his flight to Madrid. He is competing for the Pommery cup, as was Verdrines, who was so severely injured yesterday.

ITALY PLANS NEW KINGDOM

Vienna Hears of Plot to Unite Archipelago Under Abrussi.

Special Cable Despatch to Tas Sun. VIENNA, April 30 .- There is a strange the Prince Governor of the island of Samos, and the present agitation in Crete are the result of a scheme concocted in Rome. Another part of the plan is the creation of a kingdom in the archipelago, the crown of which would be offered to the Duke of the Abruzzi. Such a State, it is believed, would turn the balance of power in the Mediterranean in favor of Italy.

## **EXPOSITION BOARD** ASKS ENGLAND TO JOIN

Presents Taft's Invitation to Panama Fair, to Sir Edward Grey.

Special Cable Despatch to TRE SUN. LONDON, April 30.-The Panama Expo sition Commission, headed by John Have Hammond, called this afternoon on Whitelaw Reid, the American Ambassador, who later on presented the members to Sir Edward Grev, the Minister of Foreign in 1888 and was owned by the Archipelago Affairs. Mr. Hammond presented President Taft's compliments to the Foreign Minister and said the commission was here personally to support the invitation of the United States to Great Britain to The incident had caused consternation participate in the exposition at San Fran-

> Sir Edward expressed his appreciation of President Taft's invitation, but did not definitely accept it.

Mr. Reid will give a dinner to the mem bers of the commission to-morrow. Secretary of War Haldane, Winston Churchill, the First Lord of the Admiralty, and other members of the Cabinet will be present, as well as members of the Board of Trade commissioners desire to meet.

On Thursday at 1:30 o'clock P. M. Earl Beauchamp, the First Commissioner of Works, will give a luncheon to the commissioners in the House of Commons restaurant in behalf of the Government King George will give an audience to the members of the commission on Saturday at Buckingham Palace, and on Saturday night the commission will start for Berlin Several of the commissioners occupied Ambassador Reid's box at Hammerstein's London opera house to-night.

Gen. Clarence R. Edwards and Rear Admiral Sidney A. Staunton, the military valued at \$35,000,000. There are also a and naval members of the commission, will dozen German vessels, four French ships meet British army and navy officers

The commission made an instant im The British Chamber of Commerce appression in London. The members are to-day upheld the decision of the Bow pealed to Sir Edward Grey, the Foreign emphasizing the fact that the exposition street Magistrates that Wells, the man Secretary, for help in relieving the situation is to be a national and international and who broke the bank at Monte Carlo."

### PLOT TO RESTORE MANUEL.

ern Portugal.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.
LIBRON, April 30.—In an effort to restore the King to the Portuguese throne monarchists will attempt again to seize the northern provinces, say Government

At San Gregorio, on the frontier be tween Portugal and Spain, customs officers were attacked by a body of monarchists. who succeeded in capturing some arms. They then returned to La Ganiza, where they have established their headquarters.

Similar movements are reported from ther points in the northern provinces The Cabinet has ordered the War Min ister to despatch reenforcements of troops to the disturbed districts.

### PARIS GOOD-BY TO HORSE CAR. Students Sing Dirge as Last Omnibu

Passes. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.
PARIS, April 30.—The Parisian horse

omnibus service between the Pantheon and Courcelles made its last journey this evening after having been in operation The occasion was made a festive one

Representatives of the press were seated panied by four ladies perched on top. The driver wore crape and spared his sorrowful looking nags the usual lashing. While crossing the Boulevard St. Miche American students from the Carlo Ross

## ENGLAND AND KAISER FRIENDS.

Premier Asquith Announces There Is Amicable Understanding.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN LONDON, April 30 .- Replying to a quesning Premier Asquith said the relations as to enable him to discuss in the frankes and friendliest way matters of mutual The Prime Minister added: "If that is what is meant by an amicable understanding it has already been achieved and I believe it will be con

Troops to Prevent May Day March

Special Cable Bespatch to THE SUN.
PARIS, April 30.—The French Governcession which had been arranged for

## TORPEDO BOATS TRIED TO ENTER DARDANELLES

But the Turkish Searchlights and Guard Ships Prevented Success.

SHELLS SILENCED FORTS friendship.

Ready to Run Gantlet When Rome Forbade.

Special Cable Despatch to THE STN.
MILAN, April 30.—The Secolo prints some details of the bombardment of the tory in circulation to the effect that the Turkish forts in the Dardanelles, which it recent assassination of Kopassis Effendi, ascribes to an eye witness. This witness says among other things that Admiral Viale sent six torpedo boats on the night of April 1t to creep up the Dardanelles and blow up the Turkish fleet which was anchored inside. On the morning of April 18 Admiral Viale received a radiogram from the torpedo boats stating that they had failed. The Turks had evidently been forewarned and their searchlights were active. Besides there were four Turkish torpedo boats at the entrance to the Dardanelles

> Admiral Viale subsequently attempted by a feigned retreat of two warships to draw the Turkish fleet into the open, but

It was half an hour after the bombardment began before the Europe fort replied, and in the subsequent four hours the fort sent only fifteen shots. Admiral from the first of these shots, as it struck an armored tower which they had just entered. It severed the mast hooks and caused the wire stays to fly into the sea. After silencing the forts the Italian fleet bombarded the village of Kumkaleh fo

that the only damage sustained by the fleet was the breaking of cables and the piercing of two or three plates on the saribaldi above the waterline.

Admiral Viale had everything ready or advancing into the Dardanelles and bombarding the inner forts when a peremptory radiogram from Rome recailed the fleet immediately to Taranto. All complied immediately with the order. but the officers almost wept with disappointment.

### STRIKE HOLDS UP IMPERATOR. Liner Bigger Than Titanic May Not Be Launched May 24.

Special Cable Despetch to Tan Sax.

absentees on May day would be locked out for ten days brought on a strike of the union to-day. One official of the union was dismissed and 6,000 men struck

MAN WHO BROKE BANK LOSES,

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Terror of Monte Carlo Will Be Ex tradited From England.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SEN LONDON, April 30 .- The King's Bench division of the High Court of Justice who is wanted in France for swindling and his companion, Miss Burns, were charged with an extraditable offence and

Wheat Weak in Paris

should be sent back to France

Special Cable Despatch to TED SUN PARIS, April 30.-Wheat was weak to-day after yesterday's sharp advance and closed at 33.25 per 100 kilos. The weakness of foreign markets favored the

Hamburg Shippard Workers Strike Special Cable Despatch to THE STN. HAMBURG, April 30 .- Six thousand work men in the branch establishment here of the Stettin Vulken Shipbuilding Yard

went on strike to-day.

### LACK OF CARS IN CANADA.

Canadian Railway Commission Orders Roads to Report.

OTTAWA, Ont , April 30. The Railway commission has ordered the Canadian Pacific, Grand Trunk, Canadian Northern and Great Northern ranson showing the before June 6 information showing the number of cars and engines in actual service, the number out of commission, number of each ordered and being constructed and when to be delivered, with a view, if found necessary, of issuing orders compelling the purchase of additional equipment to meet the thousands of complaints now before the board of complaints now before the board of nd Great Northern railways to furnish

inadequate equipment.
Judge Mabee, chairman, in making the
announcement said: "There is apparently
an absolute lack of equipment all over the

killed in an automobile accident near held at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon in and is reported to be in a critical con-St. George's Episcopal Church. The Rev. diction. St. George's Episcopal Church. The Rev. B. W. R. Tayler, rector, and the Rev. C. C. Edmunds, D.D., of the General Theological Seminary of New York conducted the services.

Forty business and professional men, associates of Mr. Parsons, arrived in a associates of Mr. Parsons, arrived in a special car over the New York Central Railroad for the funeral.

All plants of the General Electric Company were shut down for two minutes at 2:30 and all cars of the Schenestady Railway Company, of which Mr. Parsons formerly was president, were at a standstill for five minutes.

Interment was in Vale Cemetery.

Concession to Anti-Vaccinationists

MONICLAIR, N. J., April 30 -One hundred gation and free pews. and fifty parents of children attending the The rector just chosen is a graduate of Montelair schools have made affidavit that the University of Toronto, class of 1890, dome. The troops will prevent the formation of the procession.

dren of these parents need not submit to vaccination, but there is in the affidavit a clause saying that in consideration of relief on the above grounds from the rule requiring vaccination I agree that if by vote and Trinity Church, Columbus, Ga. For a number of years he has been an assistant at flot Trinity, St. James's parish, in East Control of the Board of Education there is special danger from small pox in the community. I will immediately upon notice from the board or its duly authorized agent remove my child from the school until such time as in the judgment of the Board of Education Montgomery, James Rogers, William Victorial of the Board of Education Montgomery, James Rogers, William St. Carlton Montgomery, James Rogers,

DE BRAHMS HAD A RIVAL.

Violiniat Murderer and Suicide Was Jentous of Ilia Wife.

The motive for the murder of Pauline disclosed yesterday when it became known that De Brahms had recently learned of a Frenchman who had known his wife in Paris and who was coming or had come to this city to renew the

For nearly three years De Brahms left Pauline van Hallsan in France while Eve Witness Says Fleet Was he came to this country to make his fortune that he might bring her here. That he did about two years ago and married her on the boat: but he did not know then that his wife had been very intimate with a man in Paris, and when he learned a few weeks ago that the man was coming here he was furious.

Henry B. Morton, who owns the Folies

Bergère Restaurant at Forty-eighth street and Broadway, remembered that De Brahms had spoken of this man when he played there. Mr. Morton also said that his wife had been the cause of De Brahms losing nearly every position he ever held because of their jealousy, which brought about quarrels in the places where he played.

"He was a splendid musician and I have heard that he knew Caruso well and that he had written some songs for him. It is very probable, for he often mentioned Caruso. He came here Saturday to see if he could get his old position back again as leader of the orchestra and I did not notice anything unusual in his demeanor."

in his demeanor."

Saturday was the day De Brahms bought the plaster of paris with which he intended to fix his wife's body in the trunk and is also the day he did not go to Bustanoby's to play, but sent an assistant instead.

But the fact that he asked to be allowed to play again at the Folies Bergère shows that he did not intend to leave town, but merely to break away from the associations he had at the time he killed his wife. Apparently he thought he could get rid of the body by sending it out of the city somewhere and then go on with his life here as if nothing had happened.

### SIDNA ALLEN SEEN.

Fugitive Outlaw Reappears Seve Miles From Mt. Airy.

MOUNT AIRY, N. C., April 30. Allen is still in this section. Half a dozen reputable citizens saw him seven miles north of this city yesterday

Gap road, and Dr. Thomas B. Ashby of this city were sitting on Webb's front porch when a man emerged from the woods and dropped behind a woodpile fifty vards away. Mr. Webb went out to investigate and the man ran across the road. disappearing in the dense woods to the Mr. Webb, who knows Sidna Allen well, recognized him.

Others saw him later in the day

Berlin, April 30.—The launching of the Hamburg-American Company's world eclipsing steamship Imperator, which is fixed for May 24, may be held up in consequence of a strike at the yard of the Vulcan company, where she is being completed.

The announcement by the management of the shipbuilding company that all absentees on Man december 19. Detective Tom Felts was notified by

BENZ GETS FROM 6 TO 12 YEARS. aged Father and Five Children in Court When He Was Sentenced.

his stepdaughter, Bertha Reinen, 14 status of his daughter, Mrs. Burke Roche. years old, while trying to shoot her mother Benz's father, who is 90 years old. and his five children were in the court

Benz worked for a clothing firm in Brooklyn as a salesman for twenty-five years. His wife died a few years ago leaving five children. He afterward married Mrs Elizabeth Reinen of Ridgewood, who had several children. The families failed to agree and they separated. On vania Railroad station at the appointed last New Year's morning as Mrs. Benz last New Year's morning as Mrs. Benz and her daughter were returning from a party, where they had been seeing the old year out, they were intercepted by Benz, who had been drinking. As Benz drew a revolver, Mrs. Benz's daughter Bertha sprang in front of the weapon to shield her mother and received a bullet in the head which killed her instantly.

Benz was indicted for murder in the first degree and the jury found him guilty of manslaughter in the first degree.

SMOKE OF PEACE RISES IN ZION. Truce Declared in Cigarette War in

Dowle Town. CHICAGO, April 30 - A truce was declared in the Zion tobacco smoke war sons to-day after rioting in which several persons were injured.

Overseer Voliva, overawed by the threat of Mayor Miller to ask for troops. issued a proclamation this afternoon calling on his followers to make no further rushes on the Cook electrical plant

While Voliva said there would be no further "marching on to Cook's." he said his followers would continue their policy

Forty Business Associates Attend
Funeral at Schenectady.

Schenectady, N. Y., April 30.—Funeral service over Hinsdill Parsons, vice-president and general counsel of the General Electric Company, who was killed in an automobile accident near flying bricks.

Benjamin Lambert was hit on the head

NEW ST. MARY'S RECTOR.

dam Avenue Church.

St Mary's Episcopal Church, near Amster dam avenue and 127th street, has elected the Rev. John L. Scully to be its rector and he enters upon his new duties to-day. S Mary's rectorship was vacant because of the election of its former rector, the Rev Hiram R Hulse, to be the archdeacon of Orange St Mary's is one of the oldest Orange. St. Mary's is one of the oldest parishes of Manhattan, dating from 1823,

## SAID PART OF WORK WILL HAS BEEN SUPPRESSED

Have Hidden Codicils Revealed.

HIS APPLICATION REFUSED

Burr Won't Tell What He Hoped to Get Under the Horseman's Will.

A proceeding in the Suprogate's office to examine the executors un der the will of Frank Worth on the ground that they have not filed all the codicils executed Bergère Restaurant at Forty-eighth street by Mr. Work did not become public until yesterday, when Surrogate Fowler handed down a decision denying an application to direct that the executors be examined The proceeding was pending four months The application was made by Carry

S. Burr. Jr., former State Senator from Suffolk county, who failed to get a renomination in 1908 because he voted against Gov. Hughes's racing measures At the time Senator Burr said that he had been a horseman, owner, trainer and judge of horses all his life, and that he had voted upon his convictions. He said he did not regreat his vote.

In his petition to the Surrogate Mr. Burr said that a will executed by Mr. Work in 1901 and fifteen codicils executed at various dates up to October 30, 1910, had been admitted to probate April 29, 1911. Mr. Burr said he was informed that the Mr. Work made, and believed that subsequent to October 30, 1907, the testator executed several other codicils, changing ertain provisions and adding new ones.

Mr. Burr said that the executors, Frank K. Sturgis, Peter Cooper Hewitt and Frank B. Clark and others, have conspired to suppress and conceal these later codicils, and have concealed them. He said he believed if the other codicils were produced he would be entitled to an interest in the estate as a legatee. He asked that the executors be directed to appear and produce such other codcile, or be examined as to why they failed to do so.

In reply the executors contended that no facts had been presented which would justify such an order. They also set forth that they were accused by the petitioner of committing a felony in suppressing a part of Mr. Work's will, and that if the petition's request were granted and they were examined it would given them an "immunity bath" against any prosecution for felony.

In denying Burr's application the Surrogate decided that the probate of the will was binding upon the petitioner, and that the statute under which the petitioner sought to examine the executors contemplated only a proceeding before a will had been probated. Surrogate Fowler said that if he granted the petitioner's application any decree of probate would be open to attack at any time on the most informal suggestion.

Neither Mr. Burr nor his counsel. Have Hershfield & Wolf, would discuss yesterday his reason for believing that Mr. Work executed a codicil in which he is a beneficiary. Mr. Burr said he waan't related to Mr. Work, but added: "Everybody knows about my relations with Frank

Counsel for the executors professed ignorance of Mr. Burr's ground for believing that there are codicils they have George Benz, 52 years old, was sentenced not filed. The will of Frank Work left by Justice Putnam in the Queens County all his estate to relatives with the excepreme Court to from six to twelve tion of small bequests to servants. The years in Sing Sing for shooting and killing codicils nearly all referred to the marital

## YOUNG ELOPERS CAUGHT.

Girl of 16 and Her Companion

Locked Up in Jersey City. Tipped off by the police authorities who were eloping would arrive in Jersey I'red Blackshaw went to the Pennsyl time and took charge of Mabel Davidson, who is 16, and Joseph Ambrose, who

At Police Headquarters the girl said that she and the young man had been very much in love with each other for ome time, but that her father to the match. Ambrose, who is an Italian, formerly lived at 89 West Twenty-second street, Bayonne, but moved to Shenandoah two years ago and had been boarding with the Davidsons at 237 West Lloyd street. When the objections to a marriage on the part of Mr. Davidson could not be overcome the young people decided to run away. Ambrose said he fully intended to marry the girl.

Miss Davidson was sent to the Women's Prison and Ambrose spent the night in the Seventh street station. Both are down on the books as disorderly persons. to the match. Ambrose, who is an

## TARIFF DEBATE IN SENATE. Simmons Opens Argument for Lower

Metal Schedule.

Washington, April 30.—The Senate entered on a traiff debate to-day. Senator Simmons of North Carolina who in the absence of Senator Bailey of of "non-resistance." He said they would Texas is the ranking member of the Finance Committee, opened the debate in defense of the House bill reducing the

metal schedule The bill, which was reported by the Finance Committee adversely, reduces the rates on metal and manufactures of metal from an advalorem of about 35 per cent. to about an average of 22 per

Senator Simmons declared the measure was simply for the purpose of raising revenue to meet the expenses of the Government and that duties were laid that would admit of reasonable compe-

The Senate agreed to meet at noon to-morrow to expedite the tariff debate.

WANT J. STITT WILSON TO RUN Milwankee Socialists Pledge Suppor

to Mayor of Berkeley, Cal. SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., April 80 .- "We want you to allow us to place you in nomination at the national convention, Indianapolis, May 12, for Presidential or

agree." The above telegram was received The above telegram was received to-day by Mayor J. Stitt Wilson of Berkeley from the Socialist committee in Milwaukee.

Wilson replied that he would consider the matter and that in any case he would accept an invitation to address the Milwaukee Socialists while in the East for the national convention.

national convention.

Mayor Wilson couldn't be President.

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## DUELLING BAD; CAN'T STOP IT, SAYS MINISTER

Kaiser's Representative, Who Stirred Reichstag, Now

MOLLIFIES THE CENTRE

Modifies Remarks.

But Socialists Ask Dismissal of Officers Who Send or Accept Challenge.

Special Cable Bespatch to THE SEX. BERLIN, April 30. Herr von Heeringen. the Prussian War Minister, in a speech before the budget committee of the Reichstag to-day tried to smooth over his

ber the other day. He described it as unintentionally sharp sounding and was Without actually defending duelling ruling practice in the army and a refusal to comply with it put the man who refused in such opposition to the fundamental convictions of his comrades that his continuance in the service was morally impossible. Nevertheless he professed to regard duelling as an evil and said he ecognized that it was the duty of the War Minister to restrict it as far as pos-

sible, though its violent abolition was impossible. Duelling for trifling causes, the Minister said, had already disappeared absolutely but its total suppression was only possible when the protection of personal honor had been strengthened by an al-

teration in the law. The statement somewhat mollified the Centre but the Socialists immediately gave notice of a motion calling for the disnissal from the army of any officer who ends or accepts a challenge to a duel. The discussion was then adjourned.

COLLINS MADE A JUSTICE.

To Succeed Willard H. Olmsted or Special Sessions Bench.

Mayor Gaynor vesterday appointed Assistant Corporation Counsel Cornelius F. Collins a Justice of the Court of Special Sessions to succeed Willard H. Olmsted, whose ten year term expires to-day. Justice Olmsted was first appointed a Magistrate by the late Mayor Strong. and he was promoted by ex-Mayor Low to the Court of Special Sessions bench. Mr. Olmsted was strongly recommended for reappointment by his colleagues of the Special Sessions Court, by Judges of the higher courts and by lawyers who had practised in his court, all of whom spoke

practised in his courf, all of whom spoke highly of the record that Mr. Olmsted had made for himself in the Court of Special Sessions: but the Mayor decided to name Mr. Collins.

The new Justice is affiliated with Tum-many Hall and is a friend of Charles F. Murphy. The term of the office is ten years and the salary is \$9,000 a year. The Mayor, in a letter to Mr. Collins in-forming him of his appointment, wrote:

I have determined to appoint you a Justice of the Court of Special Sessions The high recommendation of your character and ability by the Corporation Counsel and the other inquiries I have offensive duelling utterances in the chammade concerning you make me satisfied that your conduct as a Judge will tend sorry it had caused a misunderstanding which is seemly and necessary and also tend to that promptness and despatch in Herr von Heeringen declared it was the the disposal of business which is necessary to a satisfactory administration of justice. Nothing so much detracts from the effects which should follow the administration of criminal justice as uncertainty and delay. The office is one which cannot be well administered by any one who will not consecrate himself and never falter in your resolution all things, never allow any outside in fluence to swerve you from a correct de cision on the facts. Judicial favoritism

destroys all confidence in courts W. J. GAYNOR, Mayor. Seventeen Heirs to Bellows Estate.

The value of the estate of the late Henry M. Bellows, who died in Brooklyn last December, has been appraised at \$167,128.35, of which \$71,100 is 711 shares of the on which \$71,100 is 711 shares of the Amer-can News Company. As there was no will the estate is divided among seventeen heirs, who share according to their rela-tionship. Three brothers, James A., John A, and George R. Bellows, receive \$22,783.14

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